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## *From my own* APARTMENT.

*In Studio rei amplificandæ, apparebat non Avaritiæ Prædam, sed Instrumentum Bonitati quæri.*

CICERO of *Rabirius Posthumus.*

ELK not proud Riches, says 'the great Lord BACON, but 'such as thou mayst get justly, 'use soberly, distribute chear- 'fully, and leave contentedly. 'Yet have no abstract, nor 'friarly Contempt of them.'

In these few Words, if I am not mistaken, is comprized the whole Doctrine concerning the *Acquisition* and *Use* of *Riches*. I shall make a short *Lecture* upon them the Subject of this Day's *Speculation*, as it is a Theme that cannot be too often considered by a *moral Essayist*, if he has the Art to give it any new *Turn*, *Ornament*, or *Illustration*.

*Proud Riches* I take to be such a Proportion of them as may create or cherish a *vain Pride* in the Possessor. He that looks with *Contempt* upon those to whom Fortune has been *less liberal*, or aims at *Enjoyments* from them that are out of the Reach of his Situation, Birth, Abilities, or Constitution, may be said to have *proud Riches*. The Poet has given us some Characters wherein this Pride has extended to Crowns.

Wise *Peter* sees the World's Respect for Gold,
And therefore hopes, this Nation may be sold:
Glorious Ambition! *Peter*, swell thy Store,
And be what *Rome*'s great *Didius* was before.

The Crown of *Poland*, venal twice an Age,
To just three Millions tinted modest *Gage*:
But nobler Scenes *Maria*'s Dreams unfold,
Hereditary Realms, and Worlds of Gold.
Congenial Souls! whose Life one Av'rice joins,
And one Fate buries in th' *Asturian* Mines.

Mr. POPE to Lord Bathurst.

I must not omit what we are told in the Notes on this Passage, that the *Peter* here mention'd was a *dextrous Attorney*, and allow'd to be a *good*, if not a *safe*, Conveyancer; as the *Didius*, *Peter* is exhorted to imitate, was a *Roman* Lawyer, so rich as to *purchase the Empire*, when it was set to Sale upon the Death of *Pertinax*. *Gage* and *Maria* were two Persons of Quality, who each of them, in the Time of the *Mississipi*, despised to realize above *three hundred thousand Pounds*, both upon such Royal Visions as are here described. The Annotator adds, that they since retired to *Spain*, and were in Search of Gold in the Mines of *Asturias*.—But I have heard, tho' I know not whether with any Truth, that this *Gage* is the famous Count de *Gages*, who has been since better employ'd in the Command of an Army.

Mr. *Laws*, Author of the Delusion of these noble Persons, had once so much ideal Wealth, that he was said to be more than able to *purchase* all the *Northern* Kingdoms of *Europe*.—But he too neglected to *realize*, and so fell together with his Project.

Did these *Monopolizers* of Wealth but once think with the same great Poet, certainly they would be drawn off from this Extravagance.

What Riches give us, let us first enquire:
*Meat*, *Fire*, and *Cloaths*. What more? *Meat*, *Cloaths*, and *Fire*.

And ring the *Changes* upon them as long as we will, this is all they have to give Us. Why then should they furnish Occasion to *Pride*? Since these are the Portion of all but the very miserable Part of Mankind.

Our noble Philosopher does not teach a Contempt *for Riches in themselves*, but only for the *Vices* that are too apt to attend on, or arise from them. The Desire of *acquiring* them is liable to betray into Measures that are not *strictly* justifiable, tho' Fear of *Punishment* may prevent any Infringement of a *declared Law*; and therefore he advises, that they *be got justly*. A fond and excessive Hankering after *Pleasure*, as placed in the Gratification of some *sensual Appetite*, or a penurious Inclination to *hoard* or *increase*, to the Extinction of all Bowels of Mercy towards our *Fellow-Creatures*, and perhaps of Care for our own *Persons*, are equally apt to wait on the Possession of *Abundance*: For which Reason he admonishes to *use soberly*, and *distribute chearfully*. And as a foolish *Attachment to Life*, when the very Dregs of it are drawn to the Bottom, and *every Passion* is extinct but this of *having*, is also common; the last Admonition, to *leave contentedly*, is not less pertinent and wise than the others.

SUPERCILIUS is a Man of very austere and formal Deportment, always talking of *Honesty*, *Justice*, and *doing as one would be done unto*. When he makes a *Bargain*, if you tie him down to *Terms*, he certainly stands *strictly* to them, and is very *punctual* in his Payments. But those who have *once* made a Contract with him, are always more cautious in a *second*, because if it lies in his Way to make a little Gain by *out-witting*, which he methodically distinguishes from *cheating*, SUPERCILIUS never fails to *improve* the Opportunity. He has been charged with Things of a *grosser Nature*, but as no *Proof* could be brought against him, no *Damage* could be recovered, and he has a legal Right to complain of the *Injury* done to his *Character*. It is said he has taken Advantage of the *Loss of a Receipt*, or the honest Neglect of asking him to *give one*: But this he stifly *denies*, with solemn *Protestations*; and who can *say* he is not *innocent*? An *Orphan Nephew* left to his Care, came into the World with his Fortune very much *diminished*, tho' no Suit or Contest had attended the *Preservation of it*:—But SUPERCILIUS could make out to You how it was *expended*, and his Nephew, was to think himself very much *obliged*. The poor young Fellow might as well do so, because there was no *Remedy*.

Certainly there never were such fraudulent Methods *publickly* used in the Acquisition of Money, as we have seen in our *own Age*. Who that thinks of *Gaming* and *Extortion*, can avoid remembring the Name of CHARTER's? That reflects on *false Conveyancing*, and does not recall the Image of JAPHET CROOK, alias Sir PETER STRAINGER, suffering the Amputation of his Ears for it at *Charing Cross*? Can we remember the *South-Sea Year*, and not the Name of BLUNT? Or the *Charitable Corporation*, and forget that of S——N?

These Ways of getting were certainly all of them quite inconsistent with *Justice*; but the latter most notoriously *bad*, as it was a direct Abuse, to the *contrary Purpose*, of an Establishment made *ex professo* to *relieve the Poor*. But it would make one *shudder* to think that even the Managers of these should come to such a Temper of *Steel-Heartedness*, as the Poet describes, when he introduces them thus:

The grave Sir GILBERT holds it for a Rule,
That "ev'ry Man in Want is Knave or Fool:"
"God cannot love (says BLUNT, with lifted Eyes)
"The Wretch he Starves."—And piously denies:
But Rev'rend S**N, with a softer Air,
Admits, and leave them, Providence's Care.

As to the *sober Users* and *chearful Dispensers* of the good Things of this World, how few of them shall we meet with, in comparison with those who run into one of the contrary Excesses of *Riot* or *Penury*? In every Part, not of *London* only, but of the whole Kingdom, we see many *beggarly Instances* of the Effects of the former, and of others *spurring on*, with all the Strength in their Power, to *Beggary* and *Diseases*, if not to *Death*. And as to the Latter, I have been assured of one *miserable Example*, that may serve in the Room of several, of a *necessitous Wretch* worth his *twenty Thousands*, who obstinately died, perhaps an Hour or two before his Time, for Want of a *little sugar'd Milk* (his favourite Food) because there was no Sugar *in the House*, and a Quarter of a Pound would *cost five Farthings*.

VERBOSUS is what we call a very *sociable Man*, and will be sure, when you converse with him, not to forget his *own Riches*. He tells you the many *cunning Ways* he made use of in the *Acquisition* of them, and the great *Care* he takes in *preserving* them. But talk to him of *generous* and *humane Actions*, and he either *laughs* at you, or does not seem to *understand* your Meaning. To *help another* with any Part of your Fortune, in VERBOSUS's System of Morality, is to *injure yourself* of just so much; and yet VERBOSUS has no Child to *inherit* his Money.

The Examples of utmost *Reluctancy* to part with Life, when Money is the *only Thing* they are capable of enjoying, are so many, that it had been needless to quote any of them in *Prose*, if Mr. POPE had not given us one occasionally with a great Deal of Humour *in Verse*.

'I give and I devise (old EUCLIO said,
And sigh'd) 'my *Lands* and *Tenements* to NED."
Your *Money*, Sir? "My *Money*, Sir! what *all*?
"Why if I must (then wept) I give it PAUL."
The *Manor*, Sir? "The *Manor*! hold, he cry'd,
"Not that,—I cannot part with that,"—and dy'd.

A vain Desire, in those who have merited nothing of Mankind, to *preserve on Marble* the Memory of a Name that will ever be repeated with *Contempt*, if not with *Execrations*, is not less ridiculous than a fond Anxiety to *prolong Life* beyond Enjoyment.—But I shall give the Contrast of almost all these Characters in that amiable one of the MAN OF ROSS, which those who have read over twenty Times with *true Taste*, will not think again unworthy of their Reading.

Who hung with Woods yon Mountain's sultry Brow?
From the dry Rock who bade the Waters flow?——
Whose Causeway parts the Vale with shady Rows?
Whose Seats the weary Traveller repose?
Who taught that Heav'n directed Spire to rise?
The MAN OF ROSS, each lisping Babe replies.
Behold the Market Place with Poor o'erspread!
The MAN OF ROSS divides the weekly Bread.
He feeds yon Alms-house, neat, but void of State,
Where Age and Want sit smiling at the Gate:
Him portion'd Maids, apprentis'd Orphans blest,
The Young who labour, and the Old who rest.
Is any sick? The MAN OF ROSS relieves,
Prescribes, attends, the Med'cine makes, and gives.
Is there a Variance? Enter but his Door,
Balk'd are the Courts, and Contest is no more.
Despairing Quacks with Curses fled the Place,
And vile Attornies, now an useless Race.

And all this, we are told in the same charming Manner, with an Estate of only *five hundred Pounds* a Year. Yet this good Man had not at his Death any Ambition of extending his Memory: For, as the Poet adds,

Who builds a Church to God, and not to Fame,
Will never mark the Marble with his Name:
Go search if there, * where to be born and die,
Of Rich and Poor makes all the History.
Enough that Virtue fill'd the Space between,
Prov'd by the Ends of Being, to have been.

* In the Parish Register.

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*Moscow, June 6.*

*The following is a Translation of a Rescript sent by her Imperial Majesty to her Ministers at Foreign Courts.*

ALTHOUGH the Marquess de la Chetardie, Brigadier of the French Armies, having resided here 'till the present Time, as a private Person, and without any publick Character, does not consequently deserve that Regard which is due, according to the Law of Nations, to the Ministers of Crown'd Heads, in the Courts of Europe; nevertheless her Imperial Majesty of all the Russias, hath order'd that Mr. N. N. should be acquainted, in a proper Manner, that the said Marquess, after his Return to the Imperial Court of Russia, instead of making suitable Returns to the Distinctions, which have been shewn him heretofore, and 'till this present Time, (of which the Foreign Ministers have all been Eye-Witnesses) and for which his Sentiments of Respect towards her Imperial Majesty ought to have been redoubled, has so far forgot himself, (certainly without the Orders of the King his Master) as not only to endeavour to corrupt the Fidelity of many

Perſons, and of the Clergy, to form a Party to himſelf, and to overthrow the Miniſtry, but has alſo gone ſo far as to have written from hence many unworthy Things, which not only cannot be permitted any where, but which alſo cannot be ſubmitted to by any Sovereign, as many of his Diſpatches in Original, which this Court is in poſſeſſion of, do inconteſtably prove.

Her Imperial Majeſty notwithſtanding, according to her natural Magnanimity, would not proceed with him, the Marquefs de la Cheiardie, according to his Guilt, and after the Manner that his unexpected Behaviour deſerved, and the Right it had given her over him; but generouſly forgetting her juſt Indignation, and that he is without any publick Character, and a private Perſon, hath order'd him to depart, without ſeeing any Body, in 24 Hours Time from this Capital, and to quit the Empire as ſoon as poſſible.

As to the reſt, her Imperial Majeſty being perſuaded, that it is without the Orders, and contrary to the Intentions of the King, that the Marquefs de la Chetardie hath acted here in a Manner as raſh as unuſual for a Stranger, hath not any Intention to diminiſh, the leaſt in the World, the Friendſhip which ſubſiſts between her and his Majeſty the King of France, for a Fault which one of his Subjects hath committed; but, on the contrary, ſhe will always take a Pleaſure in cultivating that Friendſhip more and more.

*Milan, June* 21. By an extraordinary Courier arriv'd this Day from Turin, with a Letter from Marquefs d'Ormea to General Fallivicini, we are inform'd of the Advantages gain'd over the Spaniards in their Retreat from Oneglia. The Marquefs de Sinſan, Commander of ſix Piedmonteze Battalions, who were at Gareſio and at Ormea, and who was in March to take Poſſeſſion of ſome Poſts, hearing of the Retreat of the Spaniards from Oneglia, made forced Marches in Purſuit of them, and having come up with them, charg'd them with ſo much Bravery, that they finding themſelves ſurpriz'd, were ſoon put into Confuſion; and 3000 Militia, who very opportunely guarded the Piedmonteſe Mountains along the Road through which the Spaniards were obliged to make their Retreat, having taken them in Flank, greatly increas'd their Diſorder, ſo that being purſu'd by the Marquefs de Sinſan, and taken in Flank by the Militia, the whole Body, compoſed of 12 Battalions, of one Regiment of Dragoons, and of a Battalion of Miquelets, was totally defeated, one Part having been kill'd and the other taken, with the Baggage, and very few having the good Fortune to eſcape.

The Piedmonteſe have again enter'd Oneglia with their Booty, and are poſſeſſing themſelves of all the Poſts in that Neighbourhood. The Enemy left in Oneglia and Dolce-Aqua 1800 Sacks of Flour, 400 Tents, 120 Barrels of Powder, and other Proviſions and Ammunition. They have alſo abandon'd at Ulceto 237 of their Wounded.

Monday next the King will ſet out for Demont and Exilles. His heavy Baggage takes the Route of Chatean-Dauphin, and the Duke of Savoy will make two Months Campaign with the King.

Ten Thouſand Militia, and a Brigade of Regular Troops, are going to join M. de Corbar, who commands on the Side of Savorgio, in the County of Nice.

*Vienna, June* 27. A Courier is arriv'd from Prince Lobkowitz with the diſagreeable News, that a Caſine, wherein he had poſted his moſt advanc'd Guard, upon the Extremity of the Mountain, which diſcover'd, and, in a Manner commanded the Enemy's Camp, had been ſurpriz'd, and 5 or 600 Men kill'd or taken Priſoners. It is now ſuppoſed, that inſtead of attacking the Spaniards and Neapolitans at Velletri, Prince Lobkowitz will enter the Kingdom of Naples by Anagni; he having already two Detachments there, one of which, under the Command of Count Gorani, conſiſts of 2000 Men, and was already advanc'd as far as Aquila.

*Hague, July* 3. It was laſt Wedneſday reſolv'd by the States General, that the Body of Troops now under the Command of General Genkel, and amounting to about 11 or 12,000 Men, ſhould march immediately to join and reinforce the combin'd Army in Flanders, and the particular Troops of which that Body is compos'd are to ſet forward without aſſembling or waiting for each other. As moſt of thoſe Regiments are already advanc'd to Breda, and the neighbouring Towns, they will not have above ſix or eight Days March to the Army.

*Bruſſels, July* 6.

*An Account of the Paſſage of the Rhine by his Moſt Serene Highneſs Prince Charles of Lorrain and Baar, brought to her Moſt Serene Highneſs the Archdutcheſs General Governeſs of the Low Countries, the 6th of July, by the Count de Roſieres, Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment o Bernes, dated at the Head Quarters at Schreck, the 3d of July.*

AS ſoon as the Pontons, and other Things neceſſary for throwing Bridges over the Rhine, were ready, his Moſt Serene Highneſs detach'd the Lieutenant General Count Nadaſti with a Body of Troops above Philipſbourg, the Lieutenant General Baron Bernclau with another below Stockſtadt, towards Wiſenau, near Mentz, and the Lieutenant General Count Leopold de Daun, with all the Companies of Grenadiers, to the Country about Stockſtadt, in order to ſupport the Paſſage which General Bernclau was to attempt on the Side of Weiſenau. The reſt of the Army was placed along the Rhine in Diviſions, in order to be at hand to ſupport that Corps which ſhould paſs the firſt.

General Nadaſti attempted the Paſſage the firſt, having made ſo good Diſpoſitions, that the Pontons were already arriv'd at Schreck upon the 30th of June at Night; and having had Advice, that the Bavarian Troops had the Day before abandon'd the advantageous Camp which they had under Philipſbourg, fortify'd with a prodigious Number of Works, and had retir'd, with the greateſt Precipitation, to the other Side of the Rhine, he cauſed Lieutenant Colonel Baron Trenk, with his Pandours, to embark in the Boats: The Baron was the firſt to lead into them, and ſo encourag'd his Soldiers, that without loſing a ſingle Man, and without finding any Reſiſtance, he gain'd the oppoſite Shore of the Rhine. The Militia of Karelſtadt, and the Waradins, with 40 Huſſars Volunteers, follow'd the Pandours with the like Succeſs, under the Command of Major Count de Stahſoldo.

General Nadaſti having given his Serene Highneſs Information thereof, with an Aſſurance that he believed he might depend upon the entire Execution of the Paſſage, and that he hoped to finiſh the Bridge very ſoon, having ſet People to work at it with all the Diligence poſſible, the Prince gave immediate Orders for the Troops that were poſted from Neudorff to Stockſtadt, to advance, with all the Expedition poſſible, towards Schreck, to ſupport the Attempt.

Whilſt the Pandours and the other Militia were paſſing the Rhine, General Nadaſti's People had work'd with ſo much Succeſs at the Bridge, that it was finiſh'd much ſooner than was expected, and Yeſterday, about Eleven in the Morning, the Troops under this General, conſiſting of about 6000 Men, had all paſs'd over without the leaſt Accident. The Regular Troops, which were encamp'd between Roth and Reittingen, under the Command of the Prince of Waldeck, at the ſame Time made ſo much Haſte, that they arriv'd at Schreck before Eleven at Night, and without ſtopping, they filed off directly over the Bridge.

As ſoon as Lieutenant-Colonel Baron Trenk had landed his Men, he immediately puſh'd the advanced Poſts of the Enemy with ſo much Vigour, that he purſued them to their Camp, which was half a League from the Rhine; where, having immediately attack'd three Regiments of Bavarian Cavalry, viz. the Horſe Grenadiers, the Prince of Taxis's Regiment, and the Regiment of Ottingen, he put them in like Manner to Flight, after having diſlodg'd them from two Redoubts and one Intrenchment. A great Number of the Enemy were killed and wounded, and the Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Horſe-Grenadiers, with 37 Troopers, were made Priſoners. They ſo little expected this ſudden Attack, that without having Time to ſtrike their Tents, they were forced to abandon their Camp to the Pandours, who pillag'd it.

As ſoon as his Highneſs heard of this Advantage he gave Orders for throwing another Bridge over the Rhine at Schreck immediately, and having march'd with the whole Army upon the firſt of this Month at Night from Ladenbourg, he arriv'd with it here Yeſterday about Nine o'Clock in the Morning, where he cauſ'd the Regiments to file off together over the firſt Bridge. The Second was finiſh'd about Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, partly by the Help of thirteen Boats which were taken the Day before from the French.

In the mean while his Serene Highneſs receiv'd Advice Yeſterday Night from General Bernclau, that, notwithſtanding ſome Oppoſition made by the Enemy, he had alſo ſucceeded in his Attempt to paſs the Rhine upon the firſt of this Month at Night with his whole Corps below Stockſtadt, near Weiſenau, part in Barks and part over the two Bridges which he had cauſ'd to be laid there. The Enemy were repuls'd there with ſo much Courage, that they not only took to Flight, but abandon'd the Town of Oppenheim, with the Loſs of a great many Magazines, in order to get to Worms, towards which Place, according to later Advice, he is purſuing them with ſo much Diligence, that he has already driven them to the Neighbourhood of it.

Whilſt General Bernclau was executing the Paſſage, the General Count de Daun being poſted with all the Companies of Grenadiers, and 600 Militia of the Theiſs, in the Iſland of Maulber near Stockſtadt, kept the Enemy at Bay by a continual Fire of Small Shot and Cannon, and by thirteen little Barks which he had with him, without any other Loſs than of two Grenadiers, and two of the Militia of the Theiſs kill'd, and eleven others wounded.

This General having receiv'd Orders to repair hither in order to follow the Army, which is on the other Side of the Rhine, and having thereupon march'd himſelf, and all his Grenadiers, he is expected at Schreck To-morrow, having left the 600 Militia, under the Command of their Major, in the Iſland of Maulber, to guard the Bridge.

Although General Nadaſti had encamp'd with his Huſſars very advantageouſly on the other Side the Rhine near Leimerſheim, having placed the Pandours and other irregular Troops in a more advanced Poſt in a neighbouring Wood, in order to get near to, and fall upon the Bavarian Infantry, which is behind this Wood, in a Camp intrench'd amongſt the Marſhes; nevertheleſs, upon Advice that the Lines of Lauterbourg were but weakly provided, his Highneſs thought proper to order this General to march with the Huſſars, Pandours, and other irregular Troops, reinforced with the Hungarian Regiments of Forgatch and Joſeph Eſterhaſi, towards theſe Lines, in order to endeavour to make himſelf Maſter of them, whereof the Event is expected.

The haſty Departure of the Count de Roſieres did not allow Time to enter into all the Particulars; but they will be related hereafter in a Journal. In the mean while, the good Diſpoſitions, the indefatigable Care, and the great Valour of General Nadaſti, cannot be ſufficiently commended, for to him the happy Paſſage at Schreck is principally owing. Nor can too much be ſaid in Praiſe of Lieutenant Colonel Trenk, who contributed extremely to this Paſſage of the Rhine, and the fixing of the Bridges, by the Prudence and Courage with which he led on his Pandours, and repuls'd the Enemy.

His Serene Highneſs will put every Thing in Practice to make the beſt Uſe of this firſt Succeſs, and to puſh on with Vigour the further Operations of the Campaign, and ſo much the more, as by his Poſition all Communication between the French Army and Alſace is entirely cut off.

## PLANTATION NEWS.

*Cumberland, in Port-Royal Harbour, Jamaica, April* 21. On the 23d paſt the Rippon arriv'd from cruizing in the Windward Paſſage, and brought in with her a Spaniſh Man of War of 18 Guns and eight Swivels, and 140 Men, being taken under the Iſland of Tortuga. She has on board 1200 Cheſts of Quickſilver, and a great Quantity of other rich Merchandize, is call'd the Conde de Chincon, and was bound to Vera Cruz. She is a Ship of about three or four Years old, and reckon'd a prime Sailor, is exceedingly well fitted, and uſed to ſail with 24 Guns, but this Time with leſs, on account of her Merchandize. On the 29th arriv'd Capt. Powell in the Biddeford, with four Victuallers and a Naval Store Ship for Antigua; one Victualler of his Convoy came in two Days before, and one is ſtill miſſing, call'd the Atlas, Maurice Cole, Maſter; ſhe happen'd to be the Leewardmoſt Ship when we fell in with the French Squadron in the Channel, and 'tis hoped, upon ſeparating from her Convoy, that ſhe made for ſome Port in England or Ireland.

The following Account of his Majeſty's Ship Aſtrea being burnt at Piſcataway, has been receiv'd here from Capt. Swanton, her Commander.

*New Hampſhire, Portſmouth, Jan.* 20. Tueſday the 17th Inſtant, about Two in the Morning, a Fire broke out in the Fore-Hold, and inſtantly the Beams under the Fore-Caſtle were in a Blaze. We labour'd hard, and once thought we had got the better of it; but the Water a-long-ſide was no ſooner in the Buckets but it became Ice, ſo that it ſcarce deliver'd a Quart, by which Means the Fire broke out again with greater Violence, and render'd all our Endeavours to extinguiſh it vain, for in a few Hours ſhe was burnt down to the Water-Edge. Moſt of the Officers Stores were a-ſhore, the Powder in the publick Magazines, and as all the Guns fell in the Wreck, I ſhall have no great Difficulty in recovering them.

*Cumberland, in Port-Royal Harbour, Jamaica, May* 8. His Majeſty's Ship the Montague arriv'd the 3d Inſtant from her Cruize off of the Tertuda Bank near the Gulph of Florida, and brought in with her a Spaniſh Brigantine of 10 Guns and as many Swivels, and 24 Men, commanded by a Lieutenant of a Man of War, and which ſerv'd at that Time as a Tender to Admiral de Torres. Capt. Chambers, who commanded the Montague, ſays that the Morning before he took this Tender, being the 3d of April, he fell in with the Spaniſh Squadron, conſiſting of nine large Ships of the Line, a Fri-

gate of 20 Guns, and this Brigantine, about Five in the Morning, in the Latitude of 24, bearing W. and by N. ten Leagues from the Tertuda Bank; that they were about four Leagues to the Windward of him when he first saw them; that his Ship being clean, he made Sail to Windward in Chase after them, all that Day and Night, in hopes one or other of them might have fallen to Leward, and the next Morning he pick'd up this Tender, in Sight of five large Ships about four Leagues Windward, not one of which attempted to bear down upon him.

*Charles-Town, South-Carolina, April 16.* On Sunday the 8th Instant, the Charles-Town, one of the Government's Galleys, having sail'd over the Bar to convoy a Sloop, met with a sudden hard Gale of Wind, overset and sunk; ten Men were drown'd; among them was Mr. Hart, a Jew. The Captain, and the rest of the Crew, sav'd themselves in the Boat, and got safe to Town the same Afternoon.

*Boston, April 30.* By Capt. Boutineau, from the Bay of Honduras, we are inform'd, that Capt. Fiske, of this Place, was attack'd and taken by a Spanish Privateer, just as he was entering the Bay, after a stout Engagement of several Hours, in which near 20 Spaniards were kill'd; Capt. Fiske was kill'd in the beginning of the Action; Capt. Bell, a Passenger on board, was dangerously wounded; and Capt. Richardson, the Owner, had a Shot thro' his Arm. They made them all Prisoners, some of whom were put ashore upon one of the Keys in the Bay; but Capt. Richardson, and the rest, were carried to Campeche.

## SCOTLAND.

*Edinburgh, June 25.* The Right Hon. the Earl of Rothes is appointed his Majesty's Chamberlain for the County of Fife and Strathearn, in the room of the Earl of Wigton, deceas'd.

There are Letters arriv'd from Capt. Craigie, who sail'd the 9th Instant from Leith to Zetland, which inform, that there are three French Privateers on that Coast, besides a French Man of War of 60 or 70 Guns; that they had taken a Ship belonging to Mr. Banks, who declares he saw a Prisoner on board the Privateer an English Captain from America, whose Vessel, richly laden, had been taken some Days before.

Other Letters advise, that they have taken four more Prizes already, besides the American Ship above-mention'd, which they sent to Calais: They stripp'd a Fishing Vessel of her Cargo, consisting of 600 Cod, and having left the poor Men naked, suffer'd them to proceed on their Voyage.

*Edinburgh, June 26.* On Sunday the 17th Instant died at Borthick, the Rev. Mr. George Turnbul, late Minister at Tiningham, aged 88 Years, and the eldest Minister of the Church of Scotland.

## COUNTRY NEWS.

*Henley in Oxfordshire, June 30.* Died lately at his Seat at Blunt's-Court in this Neighbourhood, at the Age of eighty Years and upwards, Charles Price, sen. Esq; formerly an eminent Merchant of the City of London; but having acquir'd a large Fortune, retir'd from Business many Years since: By his Death a considerable Estate descends to his Son Charles Price, Esq; High Sheriff of the County of Bucks last Year: He was a near Relation of the late Hon. Robert Price, Esq; one of the Barons of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer; and having always shew'd a great Compassion for the Poor and Distressed, has by his Will made Provision for many.

*Bristol, June 30.* On Tuesday last the Mediterranean, Capt. Stott, a Letter of Marque Ship of this Port, who lately sail'd hence, bound for Newfoundland on the Trading Account, brought into Kingroad a French Ship, call'd the Catharine, de Merl, Master, bound from St. Domingo in Hispaniola to Nantz, which he took in Lat. 48. Long. 15. off Cape Clear; carrying ten Guns and 40 Men; her Lading upwards of 400 Hogsheads of coarse and fine Sugars, 20 Quarters of Coffee, three Hogsheads of Indigo, 100 Hides, some thousands of Piasters in Money, and other Goods, to the Value of about 9000 l. Sterling. They had a young Lady Passenger on board; and the French Captain avers, that there were above 300 Merchantmen in America that knew not of the War no more than himself; so that the English Cruizers are like to come in for pretty Pickings among them.

## LONDON.

We hear that the Marquess *de la Chetardie*'s Conspiracy was not only to *dethrone*, but to *assassinate* her Imperial Majesty of all the Russias: Which makes the *Lenity* of her Procedure against him the more *conspicuous* and *remarkable*.

Tuesday Night arriv'd a French Mail, by which there is an Account that Furnes is taken.

The same Evening an Account came, that Prince Charles of Lorrain had forced the Lines of Lauterberg, and that a considerable Body of French were cut to Pieces.

The Transports are order'd to fall down the River forthwith, in order to take on board 4000 Foot, whose Orders are to embak for Flanders without further Notice.

The Lords of the Admiralty have order'd 200 Matrosses, Gunners and Engineers, to be draughted out of the Train at Woolwich, in order to go on board the Fleet design'd for a secret Expedition.

The Officers of the Men of War at their respective Rendezvouzes, have receiv'd Orders not to refuse able-bodied Land-Men, who may hereafter offer themselves as Volunteers.

It is said the present Demand for Seamen is so very urgent, that Press-Warrants are sent to all the Ports in England, requiring the Officers to seize all, without Exception, there being an Order to raise 10,000 with all Expedition.

Last Wednesday the Treasure taken from the Spaniards by Commodore Anson, guarded by the whole Crew, was brought to Town in 32 Waggons, and lodg'd in the Tower.

The Dutch Sailors that enter'd on board the Centurion, at the Cape, are to have 50 Dollars a Man, being 60 in Number, besides the British Pay that is allow'd.

Yesterday se'nnight was held a Board of Admiralty, when their Lordships were pleased to appoint Lieut. Dennis, who came home with Commodore Anson in the Centurion, to be Captain of the Spence Sloop.

It is said that the Excise on Beer and Ale in England amounts to 1,576,060 l. from Midsummer 1743 to Midsummer 1744, which is upwards of 600,000 l. more than the preceeding Year.

His Majesty has been pleased to appoint Christopher Rigby, Esq; to be one of the Commissioners of the Land Tax, a Place of 500 l. per Annum, in the room of Thomas Medlicot, Esq; who has lately resign'd.

The Honourable —— Hay, Esq; is made one of the Commissioners for Victualling his Majesty's Navy, in the room of William Thompson, Esq; deceas'd, late Member of Parliament for Scarborough in Yorkshire.

His Majesty has been graciously pleas'd to appoint Lieutenant-Colonel Alexander Heron, who had General Oglethorpe's Commission to act as such upon the Spanish Invasion of Georgia, to succeed Lieutenant-Colonel Cook, as Lieutenant-Colonel to General Oglethorpe's Regiment of Foot.

His Majesty has presented the Rev. Mr. Theophilus Barbault to the Rectory of St. Vedast, alias Foster-Lane, in the City of London, with the Chapel of St. Michael Quern, in the Deanry of the Arches of Canterbury.

The Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor has presented the Rev. Mr. Thomas Morgan to the Vicarage of Llanllebyarne, in the County of Montgomery and Diocese of St. Asaph.

His Lordship has likewise presented the Rev. Mr. Thomas Franks to the Vicarage of Shipwith, in the County and Diocese of York.

A Dispensation has pass'd the Great Seal to enable Richard Bullock, D. D. to hold the Vicarage of St. Bridget, in the City and Diocese of London, together with the Rectory of Streatham, in the County of Surrey and Diocese of Winchester.

The Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor has presented the Rev. Mr. Andrew Layton to the Rectory of St. Matthew in Ipswich, in the County of Suffolk and Diocese of Norwich.

His Lordship has likewise presented the Rev. Mr. George Drury to the Vicarage of Wherstead, alias Quersted, in the said County and Diocese.

Last Sunday Christopher Houghton, Esq; a Gentleman in the Commission of the Peace for the County of Essex, was married at Chelmsford to Miss Fanny Scawen, of Epsom in Surrey, an agreeable young Lady with a Fortune of 16,000 l.

A few Days since John Lindfield, Esq; of Horsham in Sussex, was marry'd to Miss Sally Legatt, of Westminster, a very agreeable Lady with a Fortune of 5000 l.

Yesterday se'nnight the Right Hon. the Lord Gowran was married to the fifth Daughter of the Right Hon. the Lord Gower, at his Lordship's House in Upper Brook-Street.

Wednesday se'nnight died, at his House in Great-Russel-Street, in the seventy-third Year of his Age, William Prestley, Esq; many Years in the Commission of the Peace for the Counties of Middlesex and Hertford, who dying without Issue, his Estate of 1000 l. per Annum descends to his Nephew ——— Methold, Esq;

On Friday, the 29th past, died at Twickenham Miss Wilhelmina Amyand, Daughter of Claudius Amyand, Esq; late Serjeant Surgeon to his Majesty; who, in the Bloom of Youth, with the Advantages of a fine Person, and excellent Endowments, the Love and Esteem of all her Acquaintance, and in full Possession of almost every Circumstance that could make Life desireable, had arriv'd to that happy Indifference for it, which is rately attainable by Persons even in advanc'd Years. Her Conversation was sensible, sprightly, and inoffensive; her Temper sweet and compos'd; in Sentiment friendly, humane, generous; her Conduct in her last Illness almost without Example; her whole Character not easily to be describ'd, but harder still to imitate.

On the 25th past died in advanced Years at Scruton in Yorkshire, Roger Gale, Esq; a Gentleman of an antient Family in that County, eldest Son of the learned Dr. Gale, Master of St. Paul's School, and afterwards Dean of York: He formerly represented in Parliament the Borough of North-Allerton, and was afterwards a Commissioner of the Excise for many Years; equally esteem'd by both Prince and People for the impartial Justice he did to both (not like some before or since) with great Regard to private Property. He was bred up under his Father; was formerly Fellow of Trinity College in Cambridge, incorporated as Master of Arts at Oxford, a Fellow and afterwards Treasurer of the Royal Society, and one of the first Members of the Antiquaries, to both which he was an Ornament, as a deep Naturalist, judicious Antiquary, and polite Scholar. He publish'd several valuable Pieces with and without his Name. In private Life he was a most indulgent Parent, kind Husband, and a hearty Friend; and in all these Capacities in an Age almost a Stranger to any of them. He died much lamented, and is succeeded in his Estate (to which he had retir'd some Years) by his eldest Son Roger Gale, Esq; of the same Place.

Letters from several Parts of Kent bring agreeable News to Hop Factors, Brewers, &c. that the late Rains have entirely wash'd off the black Fly, so destructive to the Hops; so that there is a Prospect of as great a Crop as ever was known.

Last Friday as Martin Dubordieu, Esq; of Woodford, was coming to London in his Chariot, he was attack'd on Epping Forest by three Footpads well arm'd, who took from him seven 36 s. Portugal Pieces, and then made off towards Wanstead.

On Saturday Night last a Foreigner well dress'd, whose Name was Peter Veitken, was detected in stealing Goods out of the Shop of Mr. Hill in Pall-mall, and being carried before Justice Fraser, was by him committed to Tothill-Fields Bridewell for farther Examination; but he sav'd the Trouble, for when they went into his Apartment Yesterday Morning, they found, to their great Surprize, that he had hang'd himself, and was quite cold.

Last Saturday Night, about 10 o'Clock, the Sessions on the Middlesex Side ended at the Old Baily, when Will. Cox, and Sarah Cox (Wife to the Brother of the said William were both capitally convicted for assaulting William Carter) in the Street in Barbican, putting him in Fear of his Life, and robbing him of a Handkerchief, Value 1 s. and 6 s. in Silver. These two (with William Quarenton and James Guillard convicted on Thursday and Friday) receiv'd Sentence of Death.

Anne Hawks, alias Hawksfwell, alias Matthews, taken up on Suspicion of robbing the Western Mail, and Samuel Hardisty, concern'd in the same Fact, were order'd to remain 'till next Sessions.

Monday Morning the Trial of Elizabeth Nicholls, for Subordination of Perjury, came on at the Old Baily; but the Indictment being laid wrong, she was order'd to remain in Newgate 'till next Sessions.

Sessions being over, the Court adjourn'd 'till Wednesday the 12th Day of September next.

The Letters from New-York confirm the Account we had formerly, that the Rose Man of War, Capt. Frankland, had taken a stout Spanish Privateer off Crooked Island; and upon hearing that the said Privateer had taken two English Ships, he examin'd what Places they were sent to, and had the good fortune to retake them both.

By a Letter from Nevis, of May 12, we have Advice, that the Tilbury, bound for Barbadoes, and a Ship belonging to London, were both taken by a Spanish Privateer; but were afterwards retaken by a St. Kitt's Privateer, and brought into that Island.

They write from Jamaica, that the French Prize taken by the Orford Man of War, Capt. Perry Maine, has been condemn'd at that Island, and each Lieutenant has receiv'd 500 l. and the Midshipmen 80 l. apiece for their respective Shares, and the Foremast-Men in Proportion.

The Winchelsea Privateer, Capt. Gerrart, Consort with Capt. Cummings, in the Fame, has taken in his Cruize on the Coast of Portugal a Spanish Privateer of great Force, which has for some Time past infested those Parts, and taken several Ships; which Privateer the Winchelsea carried into Lisbon.

The Squirrel Privateer has ſent into Jerſey two Prizes laden with Salt.

There are Letters from St. John's in Newfoundland, dated May 15, adviſing, that a French Frigate of 20 Guns had appear'd upon the Banks, and had taken two ſmall Veſſels, but let all the People, with one of the Veſſels go, who arriv'd there with this Information, by which they were convinc'd of their being a War with France; and thereupon had put their Fort (which had been erected lately by the Government) into a Condition, ſo as to ſecure the Trade of that Harbour.

On Monday came into St. Helen's Road the St. Pierre Prize, taken the 14th of May by the Kinſale Man of War, 93 Leagues Weſt of Scilly, Burthen 500 Tons, loaden with Sugar, Coffee, and Cotton.

The Salamander Privateer arriv'd in the Downs laſt Saturday from a Cruize, having loſt her Fore-Maſt, Bowſprit and Main-Top-Maſt in a Squall of Wind the Day before off the Iſle of Wight: She ſent into Dover a Sloop call'd the Falcon, of which one King, of Portſmouth, was Maſter, who was taken by a ſmall Privateer; the Salamander gave Chace to them near Guernſey, upon which the Frenchman, ſeeing he could not ſave the Sloop, took every body out of her and made his Eſcape, leaving the Sloop adrift.

Yeſterday ſe'nnight the Proſperous Eſther, John Emmet, late Maſter, from Virginia for London, which had been taken by a French Privateer belonging to Bayonne the 21ſt paſt, and retaken the 24th by the Dartmouth Galley Privateer, Capt. Legroſs, was ſent into Dartmouth: Captain Emmet and ſome Paſſengers, were carry'd away in the French Privateer.

The Molly, Stamper, from Philadelphia for Liſbon, is taken by a Spaniſh Privateer, and carried to Bilboa; as was at the ſame Time a ſmall Ship, call'd the Globe.

*Extract of a Letter from Antigua, dated March 6.*

'There is not the French Men of War in this Part of 'the World that has been rumour'd, Commodore War-'ren having diſpatch'd a Man of War to all the French 'Ports, which has been under all their Fortifications.— 'The Launceſton has brought in here two Spaniſh Pri-'vateers, taken off Totola, one with 15,000 Pieces of 'Eight on board; the other is a fine Sloop well found, 'and a Prime Sailor, who took the Man of War for a 'Merchantman, ſhe being much diſfigur'd at her Head, '&c. The Don fir'd three Shot, and was going to 'board her, (the Man of War being oblig'd to act the 'Decoy, as the Privateer ſail'd much the beſt) but 'when ſhe was cloſe on board, the Launceſton out with 'her Guns, and gave her ſome Shot that rak'd her fore 'and aft, and kill'd her a Number of Men; yet not-'withſtanding this, it was ſome Hours before ſhe was 'taken.—The Commodores Warren and Knowles, and 'General Matthews have been up to Barbadoes, and 'Yeſterday arriv'd here; they all went up in one Ship, 'and had a general Review of the Forces in Barbadoes. 'Since the Return of the above Officers, they have ſum-'mon'd all the Commanders of the Merchant Ships to 'attend them; but on what Account is not yet 'known.

*Extract of a Letter from Capt. Gibſon, of the Adventure of Sunderland to his Friend there, June 8.*

'On the 2d Inſtant, about Eight in the Morning, a 'Dogger Privateer bore down upon us. We ſet four 'Men to the Forecaſtle, barr'd them down, put in the 'Iron Tills, and made ready fore and aft. As ſoon as 'ſhe came up ſhe hoiſted her Inſign. Now, ſaid I to our 'Men, let us do our beſt; with that ſhe ſheer'd a-ſtern 'and we gave her a Gun. We began about half an 'Hour paſt Ten: She fired faſt upon us; we never fired 'but when pretty ſure of doing Miſchief, and gave 'them our Small Arms out of the dark Lights among 'her Men, which did not miſs, than hazza'd, ported, 'and gave her our Broadſide with Round Shot, and the 'Grape Shot and Small Arms as ſoon as ſhe came nigh, 'which made them tumble. We gave her four Rounds 'in the ſame Manner, and every Broadſide a Huzza. 'The fourth Time I thought ſhe would have boarded us 'upon our Larboard Side, upon which we gave her the 'Great Guns; but unfortunately the Mate could not 'get his Port to fall, ſo receiv'd a Shot in his Shoulder; 'but he paid them off for that, by giving them a whole 'Round of the After-Ports with the Small Arms. 'The laſt Muſket I fired was at three of the Enemy, 'pointing their Muſkets in at the Ports, which made 'them ſheer off again. We were obliged to ſpunge with 'Ale and Beer, a Pail of Water we had for that Uſe 'having tumbled over. My Men behav'd gallantly, and 'the Privateer left us about Six in the Evening. Our 'Fore-Maſt was very much ſhatter'd with a Croſs-Bar 'Shot, our Standard and Running Rigging ſorely cut, 'and the Sails torn in a miſerable Manner. The Priva-'teer had 180 Men, and Capt. Gibſon only nine Men 'and three Boys, ſix Three-Pounders and two Swivels. 'He ſays he kill'd 14 or 15 of the Privateer's Crew.'

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